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(Attorney Docket No. AM100389)

In re Application of: ) Appln. No.: 10/029,840  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER WITH PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith in the above application are an Amendment in Reply to the Notice To Comply With the Sequence Rules; a CRF copy and a paper copy of the Sequence Listing; a copy of the Notice To Comply With Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures; and replacement pages 1, 8, 9, 31, 36, 37, 39, 40, 42 and 43.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for a two-month extension from August 3, 2002 to October 3, 2002. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the extension fee of \$400.00 or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-1300. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed for billing purposes.

Respectfully submitted,  
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